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1. BEGIN SUMMARY. BESIDES US, WHICH REMAINS PRINCIPAL FOREIGN MILITARY SUPPLIER TO INDONESIAN ARMED FORCES, TWO OTHER COUNTRIES PROVIDE GRANT MILITARY ASSISTANCE, AND TEN OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE SOLD MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO INDONESIA. THIS THIRD-COUNTRY ASSISTANCE AND SALES MEET BONA-FIDE INDONESIAN NEEDS. ALTHOUGH GOI HAS EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT US GRANT AID HAS NOT REACHED LEVELS PROJECTED SEVERAL YEARS AGO, IT HAS NOT USED AVAILABILITY OF ALTERNATIVE SOURCES TO PRESSURE US FOR MORE GRANT AID. END SUMMARY.

2. IN PERIOD FROM FY 70 TP PRESENT, TWELVE COUNTRIES OTHER THAN US HAVE PROVIDED MILITARY EQUIPMENT, TRAINING, OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA. AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, AND VARIOUS WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN PRINCIPAL

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THIRD-COUNTRY SUPPLIERS. AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND ARE

ONLY COUNTRIES BESIDES US TO FURNISH GRANT ASSISTANCE; ALL
OTHER TRANSACTIONS HAVE BEEN SALES. A COMPLETE LIST OF
DELIVERIES SINCE FY 70 FOLLOWS:

SUPPLIES/SERVICES

AUSTRALIA	QTY	METHOD	
ATTACK CL. PATROL BOAT(100FT)	2		GRANT (G)
AVON SABRE JET ACFT	16	G	
TC-47D NAVIG TRAINER	2	G	
DART TARGET RANGES	2	G	
AN/PRC-77 RADIOS	600	G	
KWM-2A RADIOS	90	SALES (S)	
STUDENT TRAINING	100/YR.	G	
U.K.			
BATTERIES FOR 2 SUBMARINES	--	S	
SKYVAN TRANSPORT ACFT	3	S	
STUDENT TRAINING	30/YR.	S	
JAPAN			
GRAVING DOCK, 900 FT.	1	S	
TRUCK, 1/4 TON (FJ40	3000	S	
STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	S	
MALAYSIA			
PIONEER TRANSPORT ACFT	3	S	
TIRES, BRITISH ARMORED CARS	60	S	
STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	S	
W. GERMANY			
TECH. ASSIST, ARMS FACTORY	1	S	
SIEMENS TELEPH. SYS., ARMY HDQ	1	S	
STUDENT	UNK	S	
NETHERLANDS			
TECH ASSIST, ARMY DEPOT	1	S	
AMMUNITION, 12GA	1 MIL RDS	S	
STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	S	
SINGAPORE			
AMMUNITION, 5.56MM	1.5 MIL RDS	S	
NEW ZEALAND			
STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	G	
YUGOSLAVIA			
STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	S	
INDIA			
STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	S	

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STUDENT TRAINING	UNK	S
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3. ANTICIPATED DELIVERIES FROM THIRD COUNTRIES ARE:

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AUSTRALIA

PATROL BOAT (51FT)	6	G
NOMAD ACFT	6	G

SWEDEN

ANTI-ACFT WEAPONS	UNK	S
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U.K.		
ARMORED CAR SPARE PARTS	--	S
FRANCE		
ARMORED CAR SPARE PARTS	--	S/G
PUMA HELICOPTERS	UNK	S
PUMA OVERHAUL FACILITY	--	S
NETHERLANDS		
FOKKER TROOPSHIP ACFT	20	S
ITALY		
BM-59 RIFLES (BERETTA)	UNK	S
BELGUIM		
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT	UNK	S

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4. IN ADDITION TO ITEMS LISTED IN PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, INDONESIAN NAVY IS ACTIVELY INVESTIGATING POSSIBILITY OF ACQUIRING FOUR CORVETTE SHIPS FROM US OR SOME OTHER SOURCE. (REF. B).

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5. EQUIPMENT ACQUIRED OR PROJECTED FROM THIRD COUNTRIES MEETS BONA-FIDE INDONESIAN MILITARY NEEDS. AS CAN BE SEEN FROM LISTS IN PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3, INDONESIAN ACQUISITIONS HAVE BEEN MODEST CONSIDERING TASK OF DEFENDING COUNTRY'S FAR-FLUNG ISLAND TERRITORIES. EQUIPMENT ACQUIRED HAS BEEN CLEARLY RELATED TO INDONESIAN ARMED FORCES' RESPONSIBILITIES TO DEFEND AGAINST EXTERNAL ATTACK, MAINTAIN INTERNAL SECURITY, AND SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS THROUGH PROVISION OF SERVICES SUCH AS COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, AND ENGINEERING. GENERALLY, INDONESIANS HAVE CHOSEN

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EQUIPMENT OF TYPE APPROPRIATE TO THEIR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES. TAKING INTO ACCOUNT QUANTITY AND TYPES OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THIRD COUNTRIES, WE DO NOT CONSIDER THAT THIRD-COUNTRY MILITARY SUPPLY PRACTICES HAVE BEEN INIMICAL TO US GRANT MAP OBJECTIVES.

6. GOI HAS NOT USED AVAILABILITY OF OTHER SOURCES TO PRESSURE US TO EXTEND OR INCREASE GRANT ASSISTANCE. GOI HAS GENERALLY SHOWN PREFERENCE FOR US PRODUCTS; IN MANY CASES, PROCUREMENT HAS BEEN FROM THIRD COUNTRIES ONLY BECAUSE US GRANT ASSISTANCE INSUFFICIENT, GRANT AND SALES DELIVERY SCHEDULES TOO SLOW, OR, IN A FEW SALES CASES, PRICES TOO HIGH. ALSO PROTECTING U.S. FROM PRESSURE OF THIS SORT ARE STANDING ARRANGEMENTS WE HAVE WITH AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, ONLY OTHER COUNTRIES PROVIDING GRANT AID, FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION TO ASSURE THAT MILITARY PROGRAMS

DO NOT OVERLAP.

7. BECAUSE SUHARTO GOVERNMENT HAS CONSISTENTLY GIVE
PRIORITY TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEEDS IN ALLOCATING COUNTRY'S
LIMITED BUDGETARY RESOURCES, FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR
INDONESIAN ARMED FORCES HAS BEEN RESTRICTED. FOR THIS
REASON, GOI HAS GREATLY APPRECIATED US WILLINGNESS TO
PROVIDE SUBSTANTIAL GRANT MAP, THOUGH EXPRESSING DISAPPOINT-
MENT THAT IT HAS NOT REACHED \$25 MILLION ANNUALLLEVELS
PROJECTED SINCE FY 71. GOI HAS MADE CLEAR THAT CT HOPES
US WILL CONTINUE GRANT ASSISTANCE AT AS HIGH A LEVEL AS
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